

MINUTES

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Ladislaus B. Dombrowski Board Room
John A. Hannah Building
608 West Allegan
Lansing, Michigan

April 9, 2013
9:30 a.m.

Present: Mr. Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman
Mr. John C. Austin, President
Dr. Casandra E. Ulbrich, Vice President
Mr. Daniel Varner, Secretary
Dr. Richard Zeile, Treasurer
Ms. Michelle Fecteau, NASBE Delegate
Ms. Lupe Ramos-Montigny
Mrs. Kathleen N. Straus
Mrs. Eileen Weiser

Also Present: Ms. Bobbi Jo Kenyon, 2012-2013 Michigan Teacher of the Year

Absent: Mr. Greg Tedder, representing Governor Rick Snyder, ex officio

REGULAR MEETING

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Flanagan called the meeting to order at 9:39 a.m.

II. INFORMATIONAL FOLDER ITEMS

- A. Information on Michigan Mathematics and Science Center 2011-2012 Activities
- B. Invitation to 2013 Night for Notables

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND ORDER OF PRIORITY

Mr. Austin moved, seconded by Dr. Ulbrich, that the State Board of Education approve the agenda and order of priority.

The vote was taken on the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

IV. INTRODUCTION OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS

Mrs. Marilyn Schneider, State Board Executive, introduced members of the State Board of Education and the Michigan Teacher of the Year.

V. PERSONAL PRIVILEGE – MICHAEL P. FLANAGAN

Mr. Flanagan expressed sympathy to Board member Lupe Ramos-Montigny for the recent loss of her brother.

Mr. Flanagan showed a photograph of his newborn grandson.

VI. RECESS

The Board recessed the Regular Meeting at 9:46 a.m.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

VII. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Flanagan called the Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at 9:47 a.m.

VIII. PRESENTATION ON THE ADAPTIVE SYSTEM OF SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT SUPPORT TOOLS (ASSIST)

Dr. Sally Vaughn, Deputy Superintendent and Chief Academic Officer; Ms. Linda Forward, Director, Office of Education Improvement and Innovation; and Mr. Albert Mayo, Chief Information Officer, AdvancED; presented the Adaptive System of School Improvement Support Tools (ASSIST).

Mr. Flanagan said several years ago the Michigan Department of Education entered into a partnership agreement with AdvancED which reduced duplication of effort and opened possibilities of streamlined school improvement planning. He said this partnership also allowed local and intermediate school districts as well as Department staff to see the school improvement plans. He said this year Michigan schools are transitioning to AdvancED's new Adaptive System of School Improvement Support Tools (ASSIST) platform that will allow improved support and allocation of resources for schools.

Mr. Flanagan introduced Ms. Kathy Sergeant, Director, AdvancED Michigan, who was attending the Board meeting.

Mr. Albert Mayo, Chief Information Officer, AdvancED, joined the presentation through the use of technology, from the headquarters in Georgia. Information was shared through a webinar and [PowerPoint](#) presentation.

Ms. Diane Fleming, Consultant, School Improvement Support Unit, joined the presenters at the Board table to answer questions regarding data analysis.

Board member discussion included improved accessibility of data, reduction of paperwork and redundancy, acceleration of root cause analysis of data, intermediate school district assistance to schools for data analysis, preparation of teachers who can analyze data and adjust teaching, linking to best practices in other schools, and collaboration among teachers and administrators regarding development and consolidation of school improvement plans and reports.

IX. PRESENTATION ON THE PROPOSED MICHIGAN TEACHER LEADER STANDARDS

Dr. Sally Vaughn, Deputy Superintendent and Chief Academic Officer; and Dr. Flora Jenkins, Director, Office of Professional Preparation Services; presented the Proposed Michigan Teacher Leader Standards.

Dr. Vaughn said the Michigan Teacher Leader Standards serve as a guide for programs preparing teachers for the third tier Advanced Professional Education Certification. She said teachers who want to advance in their career could remain in the classroom and become a teacher leader.

Dr. Jenkins shared information through a [PowerPoint](#) presentation.

Board member discussion included issuing of certificates by the Michigan Department of Education; examples of third tier job roles; comparison to National Board Certification in demonstrating proficiency level; existing programs meeting standards to become approved providers; the importance of educator preparation programs including use of data for instructional improvement, candidate knowledge of digital and blended learning, modeling good classroom skills, fluent use of technology in the classroom, and understanding of teacher evaluation systems; alignment discussion with deans and associations; Standard 7 on advocacy may be too global; how to demonstrate proficiency; developing a chart of requirements for all three tiers; and rigorous application of the standards signifying a high level of mastery as a teacher leader.

Following a period of public comment, the standards will be presented to the Board for approval in August.

X. PRESENTATION ON THE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNCIL FOR THE ACCREDITATION OF EDUCATOR PREPARATION (CAEP) AND THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Dr. Sally Vaughn, Deputy Superintendent and Chief Academic Officer; and Dr. Flora Jenkins, Director, Office of Professional Preparation Services; presented the Partnership Agreement Between the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) and the Michigan Department of Education.

Dr. Vaughn said the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) was formed by the merging of two existing educator preparation accreditation organizations: the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) and the Teacher Education Accreditation Council (TEAC). She said the CAEP agreement merges the two existing agreements.

Mr. Thomas Bell, Higher Education Consultant, Office of Professional Preparation Services, came to the Board table to answer questions on pathways to accreditation.

Board member discussion included clarification that existing NCATE and TEAC accreditation will remain in effect until the next accreditation period when the CAEP process will be used; an explanation of pathways of continuous improvement, inquiry brief, and transformational initiative; and the amount of time for the accreditation process.

The partnership agreement will be presented to the Board for endorsement in May.

XI. DISCUSSION REGARDING CRITERIA FOR THE GRANT PROGRAM

There were no Board member comments regarding grant criteria.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned the Committee of the Whole and reconvened the Regular Meeting at 11:28 a.m.

REGULAR MEETING

XIII. APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

- E. Approval of Minutes of Committee of the Whole and Regular Meeting of March 12, 2013

Mrs. Weiser moved, seconded by Mr. Austin, that the State Board of Education approve the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole and Regular Meeting of March 12, 2013.

The vote was taken on the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

- F. Approval of Minutes of Closed Session of March 12, 2013

Ms. Ramos-Montigny moved, seconded by Mr. Varner, that the State Board of Education approve the Minutes of Closed Session of March 12, 2013.

The vote was taken on the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

XIV. PERSONAL PRIVILEGE – LUPE RAMOS-MONTIGNY

Ms. Ramos-Montigny introduced Ms. Magdalena Rivera, Secretary, Holland Public Schools Board of Education, who was attending the State Board of Education meeting.

XV. PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Mr. Austin said there has been discussion in the legislature about Common Core State Standards and altering the Michigan Merit Curriculum. He said educators in career and technical education programs have successfully integrated rigorous academic requirements such as language arts and mathematics into their programs, preparing students for future careers and postsecondary education. He said he is eager to have a presentation at a future Board meeting.

Mr. Austin said State Board of Education members have been holding forums to discuss public education. He said upcoming forums are scheduled in Detroit on April 18, Traverse City on April 24, Port Huron on April 29, Marquette on May 6, Grand Rapids on May 9, Novi on May 13, and Okemos on May 16, 2013.

Following discussion regarding a policy on State Board of Education travel, Mr. Austin said it would be discussed at the Board’s Agenda Planning meeting.

XVI. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Report

- G. Human Resources Report

Grants

- H. Report on Grant Awards

- 2013-2014 Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP) Competitive – Amendment
- 2011-2013 Mathematics and Science Partnership (MSP) Grant Program (Title II, Part B) – Amendment

- 2012-2013 Mathematics and Science Partnership (MSP) Grant Program (Title II, Part B) – Amendment
- 2012-2013 Section 22.i Technology Readiness Infrastructure Grants – Amendment
- 2012-2013 Section 22.i Technology Readiness Infrastructure Grants, Category 2 – Initial
- 2012-2013 Section 22.i Technology Readiness Infrastructure Grants, Category 3 – Initial
- 2012-2013 Title I Statewide System of Support Technical Assistance Grant – Amendment, Continuation
- 2012-2013 Safe and Supportive Schools Grant – Amendment
- 2012-2013 The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) – Initial
- 2012-2013 Consolidation of Operations or Services Grant – Amendment
- 2012-2013 Title I, Part A – Improving Basic Programs – Amendment
- 2012-2013 Title II, Part A – Teacher and Principal Training and Recruiting – Amendment

Mr. Flanagan provided a verbal update on staffing and reorganization; United States and Chinese Policy Leaders Dialogue sponsored by the Council of Chief State School Officers; Library of Michigan Foundation Night for Notables; and the U.S. Department of Education approval of Michigan’s Elementary and Secondary Education Act Flexibility Waiver.

XVII. RECESS

The Board recessed the Regular Meeting at 12:04 p.m. and reconvened at 1:12 p.m.

XVIII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

- Mr. Gary Sands, Plymouth, Michigan. Mr. Sands shared verbal comments regarding public school academy oversight.
- Mr. Russ Bellant, Detroit, Michigan. Mr. Bellant, representing the Detroit Library Commission, provided verbal and written comments regarding the Emergency Manager and Detroit Public Library.
- Ms. Robby Cramer, Grand Haven, Michigan. Ms. Cramer, representing the Michigan Science Teachers Association, read a position statement on the Next Generation Science Standards.
- Ms. Mary T. Wood, Warren, Michigan. Ms. Wood provided verbal comments and written information regarding the charter authorization process.

XIX. PERSONAL PRIVILEGE – MR. MICHAEL P. FLANAGAN

Mr. Flanagan asked Deputy Superintendents to introduce newly hired Department employees to the State Board of Education.

Dr. Sally Vaughn introduced Mr. Jeff Beal, Assessment and Accountability; Mr. Jeremy Vanden Heuvel, Special Education, Low Incidence Outreach; Mr. Charles Achterhof, Special Education; Ms. Julie Haun-Frank, State School Reform Office; and Ms. Amy Henry, Education Improvement and Innovation.

Ms. Susan Broman introduced Ms. Anna Burns and Ms. Robin Zeiter, Great Start, Child Development and Care.

XX. REPORT OF THE MICHIGAN TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Ms. Bobbi Jo Kenyon, 2012-2013 Michigan Teacher of the Year, presented the Report of the Michigan Teacher of the Year. She shared a video presentation on Teacher Leadership – Be the Change You Want to See.

XXI. STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Mr. Martin Ackley, Director, Public and Governmental Affairs, presented the State and Federal Legislative Update. He provided an update on House Bill 4369 codifying the Education Achievement Authority that has passed the House of Representatives, and has been referred to the Senate Education Committee. He said there are several House Bills pending that would amend the Michigan Merit Curriculum.

Mr. Ackley said at a recent legislative hearing testimony in support of the Common Core State Standards was provided by Mrs. Eileen Weiser; Dr. William Schmidt, Michigan State University; Ms. Wendy Zdeb-Roper, Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals; and Ms. Linda Forward, Michigan Department of Education. Mr. Ackley said fact sheets on the Common Core State Standards will be provided to the Board.

Dr. Ulbrich, Chair of the Board's Legislative Committee, said the next meeting of the Board's Legislative Committee will be on April 15, 2013, and agenda topics will include the Education Achievement Authority and Public School Academy compliance and financial oversight.

Mr. Austin encouraged Board members, business leaders and career and technical education innovators to provide advocacy for the Michigan Merit Curriculum and the Common Core State Standards.

Mr. Austin said there should be a well regulated marketplace for school choice and expansion as Mr. Varner explained during the panel discussion at NBC's Education Nation in Detroit on March 22, 2013.

In response to Mrs. Straus, Mrs. Weiser discussed her hearing testimony, and forwarded a copy of her testimony to Board members.

Ms. Fecteau said she believes Michigan's recent economic struggles have affected poverty levels and that is a factor in the achievement gap.

Mrs. Straus said Mary Kramer's article on maintaining the Michigan Merit Curriculum in *Crains Detroit Business* on April 1, 2013, was a good column.

XXII. APPROVAL OF STATEMENT ON TUITION EQUALITY

Ms. Lupe Ramos-Montigny presented the Statement on Tuition Equality.

Ms. Ramos-Montigny proposed modifications to the draft statement in the second paragraph removing "and intend to make Michigan their permanent home," and fourth paragraph "regardless of the student's immigration status."

Ms. Ramos-Montigny moved, seconded by Ms. Fecteau, that the State Board of Education approve the Statement on Tuition Equality, as attached to the memorandum dated April 2, 2013, from Lupe Ramos-Montigny, State Board of Education member, as modified by discussion.

Mrs. Straus said she supports the statement, but she thought the purpose was to make a statement about immigration status. Mr. Ramos-Montigny said in the third paragraph "all students" covers that.

Dr. Ulbrich said the students being addressed in the statement, in most cases, do not qualify for state and federal funding because of immigration status. She said it is a collective responsibility to have an educated society, and she supports the statement.

Ms. Fecteau asked if the third paragraph language, "in accordance with the policy of the institution of higher education" will be a hindrance to allowing tuition equality.

Ms. Ramos-Montigny said she develop the language in consultation with the higher education community and did not want to imply that foreign students with visas to study in Michigan would receive in-state tuition.

The vote was taken on the motion, as modified.

The motion carried unanimously.

The State Board of Education Statement on Tuition Equality is attached as Exhibit A.

XXIII. APPROVAL OF PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENT FOR NEXT GENERATION SCIENCE STANDARDS

Dr. Sally Vaughn, Deputy Superintendent and Chief Academic Officer; and Ms. Linda Forward, Director, Office of Education Improvement and Innovation; presented Approval of Period of Public Comment for Next Generation Science Standards.

Mr. Flanagan said at the February 12, 2013, Board meeting the Board received an update on the process for development of the Next Generation Science Standards. He said the Board is being asked to approve the release of the Next Generation Science Standards for public comment prior to future adoption by the Board.

Information was provided through a [PowerPoint](#) presentation.

XXIV. MOTION TO EXTEND MEETING

Mr. Austin moved, seconded by Dr. Ulbrich, that the State Board of Education extend the April 9, 2013, State Board of Education meeting beyond 3:00 p.m. to continue discussion of agenda items.

The vote was taken on the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

XXV. APPROVAL OF PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENT FOR NEXT GENERATION SCIENCE STANDARDS (CONTINUATION)

Board member discussion included implications for educator preparation institutions; and collaboration across the state to support professional learning and supports.

Dr. Ulbrich moved, seconded by Mr. Varner, that the State Board of Education release the Next Generation Science Standards for public comment to gather feedback from the field and community for future consideration of Next Generation Science Standards adoption, as discussed in the Superintendent's memorandum dated March 25, 2013.

The vote was taken on the motion.

Ayes: Fecteau, Ramos-Montigny, Straus, Ulbrich, Varner, Weiser, Zeile

Absent During Vote: Austin

The motion carried.

Following a period of public comment, the standards will be presented to the State Board of Education for approval in May.

XXVI. APPROVAL OF MI-INTASC AS THE PROPOSED REVISION TO THE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS FOR MICHIGAN TEACHERS

Dr. Sally Vaughn, Deputy Superintendent and Chief Academic Officer; and Dr. Flora Jenkins, Director, Office of Professional Preparation Services; presented Approval of MI-INTASC as the Proposed Revision to the Professional Standards for Michigan Teachers.

Dr. Vaughn said the MI-InTASC standards are intended to replace the Professional Standards for Michigan Teachers as the guiding document for initial preparation and ongoing professional development. He said the standards were presented to the Board in January 15, 2013, and there was a period of public comment. He said the standards are being presented to the Board for approval at today's meeting.

Dr. Jenkins reviewed revisions to the document based on public comment.

Ms. Lupe Ramos-Montigny moved, seconded by Mrs. Straus, that the State Board of Education approve the MI-InTASC Standards to guide initial teacher preparation and ongoing professional development, as discussed in the Superintendent's memorandum dated March 25, 2013.

The vote was taken on the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

XXVII. APPROVAL TO REMOVE THE MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF CHILDREN WITH EMOTIONAL DISORDERS FROM THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Dr. Sally Vaughn, Deputy Superintendent and Chief Academic Officer; and Ms. Teri Johnson, Assistant Director, Special Education; presented Approval to Remove the Michigan Association of Children With Emotional Disorders from the Special Education Advisory Committee.

Mr. Flanagan said the Michigan Association of Children with Emotional Disorders (MACED) seat on the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) has been vacant since February 2010. He said SEAC is requesting that the State Board of Education remove MACED and authorize SEAC to pursue an organizational replacement.

Ms. Johnson said the Board will be asked to approve the organizational replacement at a future Board meeting.

Mr. Austin moved, seconded by Mr. Varner, that the State Board of Education approve the removal of the Michigan Association for Children with Emotional Disorders and authorized the Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) to pursue an organizational replacement on the SEAC following protocols established in the SEAC bylaws, as discussed in the Superintendent's memorandum dated March 25, 2013.

The vote was taken on the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

XXVIII. CONSENT AGENDA

Criteria

- N. Approval of Criteria for the 2013-16 Elementary and Secondary Education Act Regional Intermediate School District Partnership Grant

Cosponsorship

- O. Approval of State Board of Education and Michigan Department of Education Cosponsorship

Mr. Austin moved, seconded by Mrs. Straus, that the State Board of Education approve the consent agenda as follows:

- N. approve the Criteria for the 2013-16 Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) Regional Intermediate School District (ISD) Partnership Grant, as identified in the attachment of the Superintendent's memorandum dated March 25, 2013; and**
- O. support the cosponsorship of the conference, as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated March 25, 2013.**

Mrs. Weiser said it would be helpful if grant criteria included the period of time covered by the criteria.

The vote was taken on the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

XXIX. COMMENTS BY STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS

Mr. Austin presented a sympathy card to Ms. Ramos-Montigny signed by her colleagues on the State Board of Education acknowledging the recent loss of her brother.

Ms. Ramos-Montigny said Mr. Flanagan and Department staff do an excellent job. She said she is impressed and feels fortunate to be working with the Michigan Department of Education.

XXX. TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING

Mr. Flanagan said Board members may contact a member of the Agenda Planning Committee comprised of Mr. Austin, Dr. Ulbrich, and Mr. Varner with suggestions for agenda topics.

XXXI. FUTURE MEETING DATES

- A. Tuesday, May 14, 2013 (9:30 a.m.)
- B. Tuesday, May 21, 2013 (9:30 a.m.) State Board Planning Meeting
- C. Tuesday, June 18, 2013 (9:30 a.m.)
- D. Tuesday, August 13, 2013 (9:30 a.m.)

XXXII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:51 p.m.

The video archive of the meeting is available at www.michigan.gov/sbe.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Varner
Secretary

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
STATEMENT ON TUITION EQUALITY**

The State Board of Education is committed to providing an equitable education for all students. Michigan has invested significant resources to provide each student with a K-12 education that prepares them to graduate from high school career and college ready.

Believing that it is essential to retain talent fostering stronger economic growth, children who have grown up in Michigan should have access to affordable postsecondary educational opportunities.

Tuition rates for all students should be based on the student's place and length of residence, in accordance with the policy of the institution of higher education.

The State Board of Education encourages Michigan's institutions of higher education to adopt policies that allow access to in-state tuition rates for all students on the basis of residency as defined by the institution of higher education.

Approved April 9, 2013